Murphysboro City Council Meeting January 10, 2011

The Murphysboro, Illinois, City Council met in regular session, pursuant to its ordinances, on the 10th day of January, 2011. Mayor Ron Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and he lead the council in prayer. Following the invocation, Mayor Williams lead the council in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Mayor Williams then directed Deputy City Clerk Ripley to call the roll. The roll was called with the following

Present: Barbara Hughes, Vicki Ardrey, Bill Pierson, Dan Bratton, Sandra Bullar, Russell Brown, Gary McComb

Absent: Mike Bastien, Mark Costa

Motion: To approve the minutes of the December 14, 2010 council meeting and the December 20, 2010 special council meeting. All aldermen received a copy of the minutes, for their review, prior to the meeting.

Motion by Alderman McComb Second by Alderman Bullar

Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion Carried

A discussion was held on Citgo Gas and council requested Jeff Bock go check reports. A discussion was held regarding Consolidated about Cape Radiology bill. Members determined to hold the check for Cape Radiology.

Motion: To approve holding the check to Cape Radiology.

Motion by Alderman McComb Second by Alderman Hughes Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion Carried

Motion: To approve the accounts payable, register # 385 and #386 through January 7, 2011, excluding the Cape Radiology check, accounts receivable through December 31, 2010, and payroll through December 31, 2010. All aldermen received a copy of the accounts payable, accounts receivable and payroll for their review, prior to the meeting.

Motion by Alderman Bullar Second by Alderman Brown Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion Carried

REQUESTS FROM THE FLOOR

None

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION REPORTS

Alderman Ardrey read the minutes of the Budget & Finance Committee meeting of December 20, 2010.

Discussion held relative to RHMG billings; attorney Heller gave details and discussed with the council.

Motion: To approve paying account payable register #383 through 12/20/10.

Motion by Alderman Ardrey Second by Alderman Hughes Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion Carried

Alderman Pierson read the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting of December 20, 2010.

No action taken.

Alderman Ardrey read the minutes of the Public Improvement Committee meeting of December 20, 2010.

Motion: To approve designation of Jackson County Courthouse as a local landmark.

Motion by Alderman Ardrey Second by Alderman Bullar Mayor Williams called for a voice vote. All were in favor. **Motion Carried**

Alderman Bullar read the minutes of the Public Safety Committee meeting of December 20, 2010.

Motion: To approve no parking on the east side of the 100 Block of South 9th Street.

Motion by Alderman Bullar Seconded by Alderman Brown Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion Carried

Alderman Bratton read the minutes of the Building & Grounds Committee meeting of December 20, 2010.

No action taken.

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Alderman Hughes read the minutes of the Community Relations Committee meeting of December 20, 2010.

No action taken

Mayor Williams read the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting of December 20, 2010.

There was an approved motion to change the January city council meeting to Monday, January 10, 2011.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor stated the following:

- 1. Vactor repairs in Springfield beginning Monday, January 24, 2011. Pump replacement cost is \$15,000. We can use Herrin as the back-up.
- 2. Street lighting repairs along new route 13 are being conducted by Brown Electric. MFT reimbursable.
- 3. Response from Congressman Jerry Costello regarding the request for assistance with funding for the wastewater treatment plant. Since earmarks have been eliminated in appropriations bills he stated that federal funds may be available through the US Department of Agriculture Rural Development. He would encourage us to apply to USDA and to the State of Illinois and notify him afterwards so he can support our request. Verify with Harold at JTB regarding the Costello packet.
- 4. Update on state grant request.
- 5. Mayor will be meeting with the Senior Citizens Council and Club to discuss the issues at the Center.

There was a discussion regarding the Industrial Park lots not in compliance with covenants. Agreements used are available at the administrative office; please review, a discussion to be continued at the standing committee meetings on January 24, 2011

Motion: To approve the 9-1-1 Intergovernmental Agreement with suggested changes.

Motion by Alderman Bullar Seconded by Alderman Brown Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor. **Motion Carried**

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Barb Hughes Nothing

Vicki Ardrey Nothing

Bill Pierson Nothing

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Dan Bratton Industrial Park-Have we bill the Plumbers & Pipefitters for

lot?

Sandra Bullar Nothing

Russell Brown Nothing

Gary McComb Nothing

DEPARTMENT HEAD ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS

Bock, Jeff: Gave an update on the stripping situation at Industrial Park

Road.

Heller, Ed Nothing

Kennedy, Eric Smoke Shop will be torn down on Tuesday, January 18th;

Bucky stated the chimney will be removed at Riggs Property and Alderman McComb will instruct how to do that; we are responsible for the intersection stripping; Apple Tree Inn is shut down, no water or electric; bridges are scheduled for

repair.

Manwaring, Brian Nothing

Manwaring, Ron Emergency Management did receive a grant from Wal-Mart

in the amount of \$350

Ripley, Sandra Nothing

Swafford, Steve Nothing

Jay Youngman Nothing

Motion: To adjourn

Motion by Alderman Bullar Second by Alderman Bratton

Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.